

## BEFORE THE SOUTH CAROLINA STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

In the Matter of the Revocation )  
 )  
or Suspension of the Educator )  
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Certificate of Julius L. Campbell, )  
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Certificate 206978 )

### ORDER OF REVOCATION

#### SUMMARY OF THE CASE

The South Carolina State Board of Education (State Board) considered this matter on June 14, 2006. In accordance with S.C. Code Ann. § 1-23-370 (c) (2004), the State Board summarily suspended the educator certificate of Julius L. Campbell on May 9, 2006, based on allegations of misconduct that resulted in Mr. Campbell's arrest on April 7, 2006. The State Department of Education (Department) notified Mr. Campbell of the summary suspension, as well as the possible revocation of his educator certificate, by letter of May 9, 2006. Mr. Campbell did not request a hearing within the time frame specified in the notice letter. After considering the information presented, the State Board voted to revoke Mr. Campbell's certificate.

#### FINDINGS OF FACT

Mr. Campbell has an expired interim certificate. He was in the alternative certification program and employed as a teacher with the Jasper County School District during the 2001-02 school year. Mr. Campbell was arrested on April 7, 2006, on the charge of Criminal Sexual Conduct With a Minor. The arrest warrant alleges that during April and May 2005, Mr. Campbell digitally penetrated the vagina of a five-year old female who was in his care. At the time of his arrest, Mr. Campbell was employed as a teacher's aide with the Beaufort County School District.

## **CONCLUSIONS OF LAW**

"The South Carolina Board of Education may, for just cause, either revoke or suspend the certificate of any person." S.C. Code Ann. § 59-25-150 (2004). Just cause includes unprofessional conduct, crime against the law of this State or the United States, immorality, and evident unfitness for position for which employed. S.C. Code Ann. § 59-25-160 (2004); 24 S.C. Code Ann. Regs. 43-58 (1992). The State Board finds that there is sufficient information to support the conclusion that just cause exists to revoke the educator certificate of Ms. Campbell. Should Mr. Campbell ever wish to reapply for certification, he may not do so until after June 13, 2009. To be eligible for certification at that time, Mr. Campbell must meet all current certification requirements and he must submit to a character and fitness review by the State Board.

South Carolina State Board of Education

By: /S/ Joe Isaac  
Joe Isaac, Chair

Columbia, South Carolina  
June 14, 2006